



# Proteomic Analysis of BAL from Diesel Exposed Rats

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#### Outline



- NIOSH Rat Lavage Study
  - » SELDI-TOF at NIOSH
  - » Protein Identification at USACEHR

- Technical difficulties that have arisen
  - » SELDI-TOF data
  - » Scoring algorithm for protein identification



# Diesel Exposure



- Rat study with Diesel Exhaust Particles (DEP)
  - » Intratracheal instillation of particles
  - » 0, 5, 35, or 50 mg DEP / kg body weight
  - » Harvest bronchoalveolar lavage(BAL)
    - 1, 7, 30 days post exposure
- Protein Profile by SELDI-TOF at NIOSH
- Protein Identification at USACEHR
  - » SDS-PAGE and ion trap
  - » LC-MS on QTOF



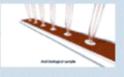
#### **SELDI-TOF**



- Surface Enhance Laser Desorption Ionization
  - » Uses laser to ionize samples dried onto a plate
    - Primarily singly charged ions
  - » Has specificity on plate
    - we used WCX Chips(Weak Cation Exchange)
- Time of Flight
  - » Allows analysis of full length proteins
  - » Top down proteomics

#### 1. Apply Crude Sample

Proteins bind to chemical or biological "docking sites" on the ProteinChip Array surface through an affinity interaction.



#### 2. Wash ProteinChip Array

Proteins that bind non-specifically and buffer contaminants are washed away, eliminating sample "noise."



#### 3. Add Energy Absorbing Molecules

After sample processing, the ProteinChip Array is dried and EAM is applied to each spot to facilitate desorption and ionization by SELDI-TOF-MS.



#### Analyze in a ProteinChip Reader

The proteins that are retained on the ProteinChip Array are detected in the ProteinChip Reader.

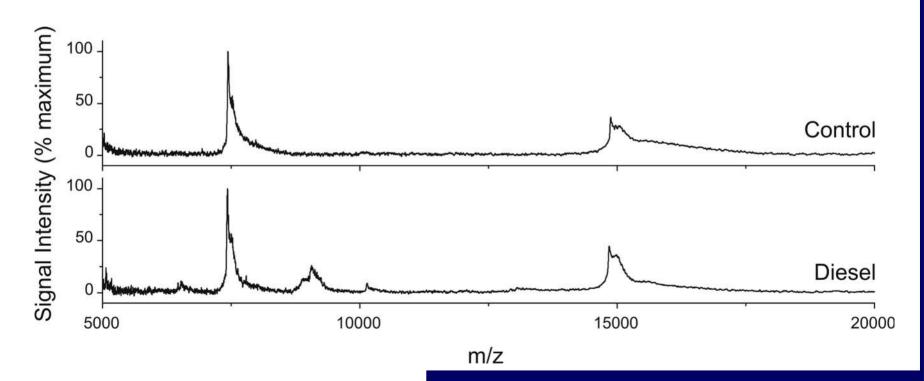




### **SELDI** Results



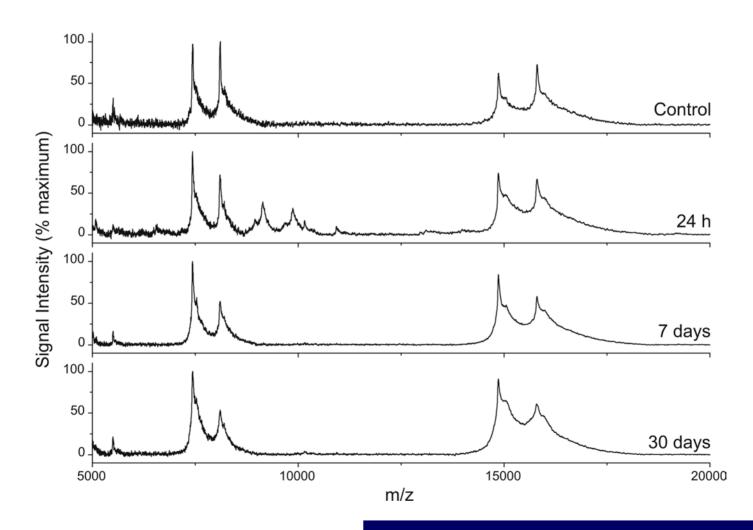
- 2 peaks present in all doses at 24 hrs
  - » 9,100 and 10,100 m/z
- Absent at other time points





### SELDI of Time Course

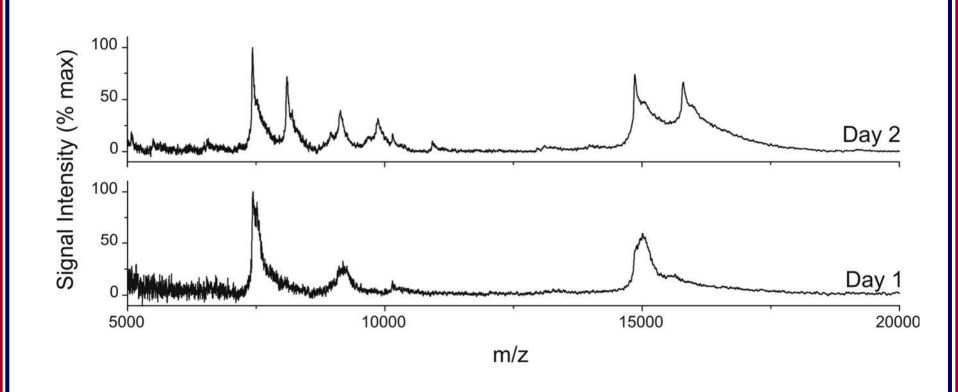






# **SELDI Doublets**

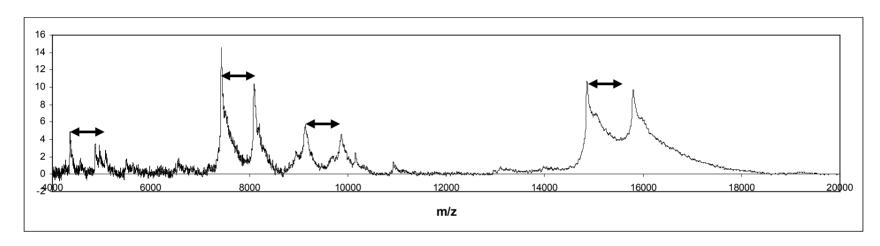


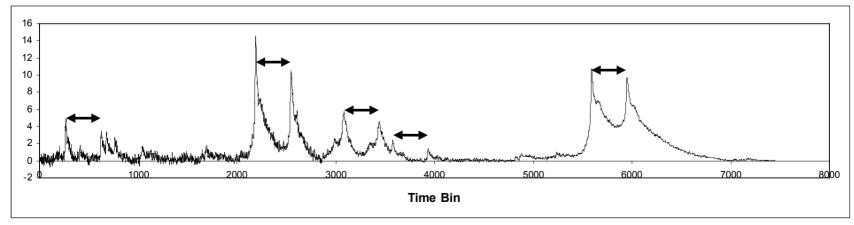




# **Doublet Spacing**









#### **USACEHR's Task**



- Identify protein at 9,100 and 10,100 m/z
  - » Extract to mimic WCX chip
  - » SDS-PAGE
  - » Analysis with ion trap
- Global analysis of BAL fluid
  - » QTOF



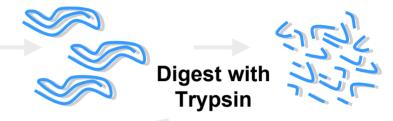
#### LC-MS work flow



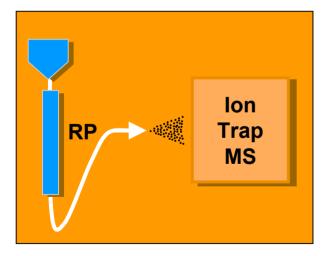




**Extract Proteins** 

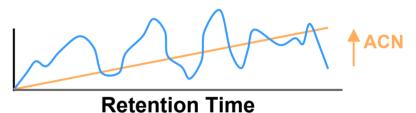


**ESI MS** 

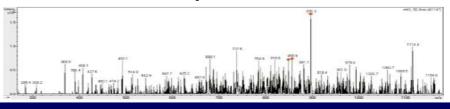


ESI – electrospray ionization RP – reverse phase column

**RP Elution Profile** 



Spectrum determined about once per second



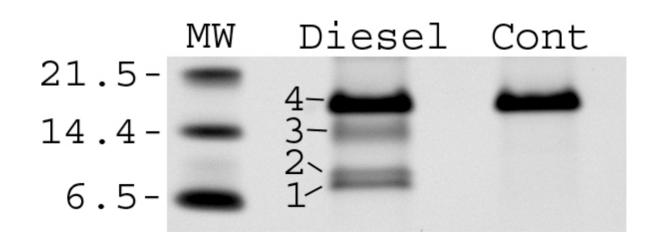
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#### **SDS-PAGE**



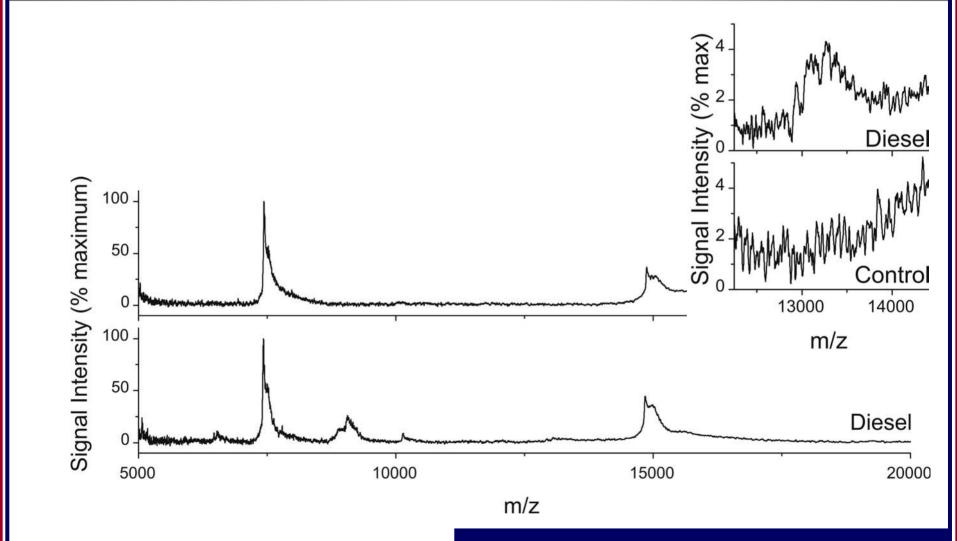
- Extract with CM resin
- Run SDS-PAGE
- Excise protein bands, digest and elute
- Analyze on ion trap
- Search database for sequence identities





#### Extra Peak

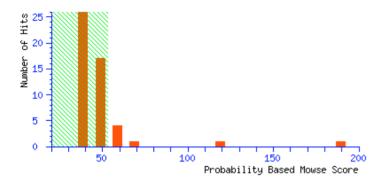






### Search Results





#### **Peptide Summary Report**

- 1. 40254796 Mass: 17175 Score: 189 Queries matched: 10 lysozyme [Rattus norvegicus]
  - $\ \square$  Check to include this hit in error tolerant search or archive report

Ç	uery)	Observed	Mr(expt)	Mr(calc)	Delta	Miss	Score	Expect	Rank	Peptide
	716	823.52	822.51	822.42	0.09	0	(26)	8.1	4	R.DLSGYIR.N
	717	823.53	822.52	822.42	0.10	0	(22)	21	9	R.DLSGYIR.N
V	718	412.27	822.53	822.42	0.10	0	43	0.16	1	R.DLSGYIR.N
V	719	412.29	822.57	822.42	0.14	0	(34)	1.4	1	R.DLSGYIR.N
	788	458.69	915.37	915.47	-0.11	0	(28)	5.1	2	R.AWVAWQR.H
V	791	458.72	915.43	915.47	-0.05	0	(31)	2.8	1	R.AWVAWQR.H
	792	458.79	915.57	915.47	0.09	0	(31)	2.9	2	R.AWVAWQR.H
	793	458.83	915.65	915.47	0.17	0	33	1.9	2	R.AWVAWQR.H
V	608	730.46	2188.36	2187.98	0.38	0	69	0.0031	1	R.NYNPGDQSTDYGIFQINSR.Y
V	757	872.65	2614.93	2614.23	0.70	0	48	0.44	1	K.NACGIPCSALLODDITOAIOCAK.R + IMID light (K)



### **Protein Identifications**

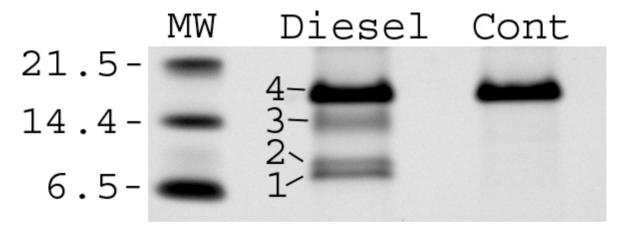


Gel Band	High Score <sup>a</sup>	Number Of Spectra	Labels Applied	Sequence	Mods Detected	Protein
1	6	1	IMID	ILLQGTPVAQMAEDAVDGERLK		C3
1	56	2	IMID	LITQGESCLK	IMID	C3a
1	34	1		AFMDCCNYITK	ox-Met	СЗа
1	34	1		LITQGESCLK		СЗа
1	87	6		MVTTECPQFVQNK	ox-Met	cal A
1	66	1		MVTTECPQFVQNK		cal A
2	3	1	IMID	FGLEKR		C3
2	11	1	IMID	ARLITQGESCLK	IMID	СЗа
2	79	6	IMID	LITQGESCLK	IMID	C3a
2	64	3		AFMDCCNYITK	ox-Met	C3a
2	59	6		LITQGESCLK		C3a
2	64	1		MVTTECPQFVQNK	ox-Met	cal A



#### **SDS-PAGE**





Band	Protein ID				
4	Lysozyme				
3	-				
2	Calgranulin A				
1	Anaphylatoxin C3a				



# Additional Analysis



- Analysis of proteins by LC-MS
  - » Use QTOF
  - » Extracted and total BAL
  - » Verify protein identification
  - » Quantitative and Qualitative comparison



### Protein ID for Extracted BAL



- Samples extracted using weak cation exchange resin
- Analyzed on QTOF
  - » Use Water's Proten Expression Method
    - No precursor selection
- Scoring Criteria
  - » Present in all 3 technical replicates
  - » = 0.99 confidence score
  - » > 2 peptide per protein



### **Extracted BAL Results**

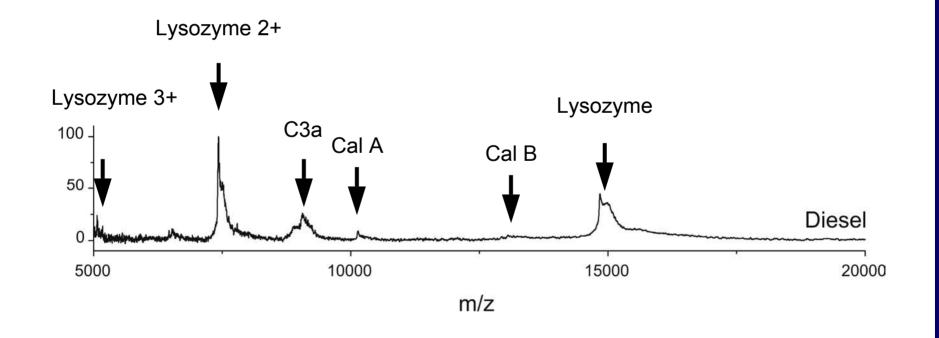


Replicate	Condition	Peak m/z	Confidence	Score	Unique Peptides	Protein
1	Exposed		1	58.9	3	calgranulin A
2	Exposed	9,100	1	49.0	4	calgranulin A
3	Exposed		1	51.3	4	calgranulin A
1	Exposed		1	51.8	25	complement C3
1	Exposed			60.5	33	XP_579384
2	Exposed	10,100	1	39.8	26	complement C3
2	Exposed			38.7	26	XP_579384
3	Exposed		1	107.5	29	XP_579384
1	Exposed		1	43.4	3	calgranulin B
2	Exposed	13,200	1	53.0	7	calgranulin B
3	Exposed		1	30.8	4	calgranulin B
1	Exposed		1	107.0	7	lysozyme
2	Exposed	5,000	1	61.3	6	lysozyme
3	Exposed	7,500	1	120.8	7	lysozyme
1	Unexposed	&	1	56.4	5	lysozyme
2	Unexposed	15,000	1	58.0	5	lysozyme
3	Unexposed		1	92.9	8	lysozyme



### **SELDI Peak Identifications**







# Biological Meaning



#### Anaphylatoxin C3a

- » Cleavage product of Complement C3
- » Complement C3 and XP\_579384 98% identity
- » Mediates inflammation response
- » Part of alternate complement pathway

#### Calprotectin

- » Heterodimer of Calgranulin A and Calgranulin B
- » Very abundant in polymorphonuclear leukocytes
- » Currently used as a biomarker of inflammaion



#### Protein ID for Total BAL



- Fractionate peptides prior to LC-MS analysis
  - » 8 fractions from HPLC

- Present in all 3 technical replicates
- >= 0.99 confidence score
- > 2 peptide identified per protein
- False positive rates too high
  - » Include random sequences in database



# Additional Scoring Critera

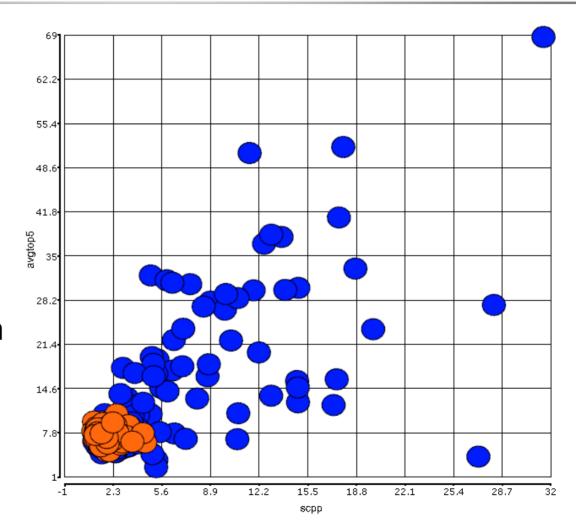


Score / Peptide > 2.7

Top 5 Average > 10

#### **False Positives**

- ~ 5 % for single run
- BDL with replicate filter





# Additional Findings



- LC-MS protein identifications
  - » Identified 65 proteins
  - » Checked against unfiltered search results to find lower quality identifications
    - 20 in Diesel Exposure only
    - 4 in Control only
      - Relevant ??



# Biological Meaning



- Many proteins are plasma derived and found in both diesel and control
  - » More abundant in diesel
  - » Extravasation after exposure
    - Sham might be causing some also
- Proteins found only in diesel exposure (20)
  - » Lung Damage and Inflammation Proteins



#### Conclusion



- SELDI was able to identify changes
- Top down approach allowed identification of cleavage product, anaphalytoxin
- Global approach produced more candidates

- Inflammation response and extravasation dominate protein sample
- List of potential protein biomarkers
  - » Need to verify in serum or plasma



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